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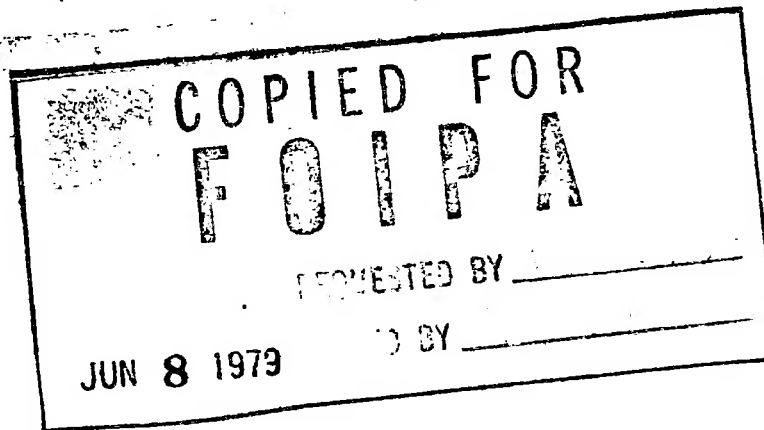
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United States Department of Justice
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February 17, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: PUTZI HANFSTAENGEL
Information Concerning

APP # 95-1284
4/26/99 SP6AC/JS

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~~BY DEPARTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC)~~
~~DATE 3-10-99~~

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Foxworth in New York he advised that he has talked with [redacted] about Carter's desire to interview the above individual who is supposed to be in an internment camp somewhere in Canada. [redacted] has no objection, but does not know where Hanfstaengel is at the present time. He is checking on this and will advise Mr. Foxworth. A letter is presently en route to the Bureau in this regard. **JX**

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

cc - Mr. Ladd

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THE DIRECTOR

Mr. J. Franklin Carter called at my office by appointment. He was accompanied by Mr. Irvin who is a member of Mr. Carter's staff. Carter stated that as a result of his interview in Ottawa with Putzi Hanfstaengel he had succeeded in inducing Hanfstaengel to make his knowledge and services available to the Government of the United States. You will recall that Hanfstaengel is interned as a German alien enemy in Canada. Carter states that he consulted with the President about this matter and the President has approved his bringing Hanfstaengel to the United States to help out in the war effort. Carter has taken the matter up with the State Department and the State Department has requested the British Embassy to issue instructions to the British authorities in Canada to release Hanfstaengel to the United States. The British Embassy has cabled London for this authority. When Hanfstaengel arrives in the United States he will be used primarily by Colonel Donovan's organization, and to this end Irvin is being placed on Donovan's payroll to handle Hanfstaengel and to work with him. Hanfstaengel will apparently be used primarily in matters relating to propaganda material to be distributed through Colonel Donovan's organization in Germany.

Carter stated that he was going to perfect some arrangement whereby Hanfstaengel would be "paroled" to the FBI. I told Mr. Carter that in the absence of specific instructions direct from the President the Bureau would not consider taking any responsibility for Hanfstaengel's conduct in the United States. I told Carter that if Hanfstaengel was going to work for Colonel Donovan's organization here, Donovan should take the responsibility from the viewpoint of security and supervision of Hanfstaengel. Carter then desired my recommendations as to a suitable place of residence and quasi-detention for Hanfstaengel. I told him that the Bureau could not make any recommendation in this regard. He wanted to know what the Bureau would do if it was given the responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safe custody in the United States and I told him that we would treat him like any other potentially dangerous prisoner and keep him under a constant 24-hour-a-day guarded detention. Carter stated that this did not fit in with his plans and that he wanted to know what the Bureau would do in the way of general supervision of Hanfstaengel's activity if Carter placed him in a house in Baltimore or Washington. I asked Carter what, specifically, he had in mind and he stated that he thought a Bureau Agent could call once or twice a day at the place where Hanfstaengel was being maintained

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to be sure "everything was all right." I told him that this would be just so much window-dressing and that if any program of this kind were undertaken the Bureau would refuse to accept any responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safety or security, since any type of supervision of this kind would be absolutely ineffective. *[initials]*

Carter talked at some length about various possibilities which he had been considering, all of which involved the Bureau's having the responsibility for Hanfstaengel, and I told him that the Bureau would not accept the responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safe custody and detention in the absence of specific instructions from the President and that if such instructions were issued we would accept this responsibility upon conditions and under circumstances which we would prescribe and which I stated frankly would result in a constant guard over Hanfstaengel. *[initials]*

At this point in the discussion Mr. Irvin expressed his opinion that possibly it might be desirable to quarter Hanfstaengel on some military reservation. I pointed out that if this was done it would probably afford Hanfstaengel an opportunity to function as an espionage agent and possibly as a saboteur. Carter then stated that he would give consideration to having Hanfstaengel detained at some place like Fort Myer or Camp Meade in a restricted area but where he would be under confinement and supervision. I told Carter that, of course, such confinement would absolve the Bureau from all contact with him since we had no authority or jurisdiction on military reservations. *[initials]*

Carter stated that the State Department might request the Bureau to take custody of Putzi Hanfstaengel at the Canadian border and escort him to the point in the United States where he would be turned over to Carter or Colonel Donovan's representative. I told Carter that, of course, if this request were made the Bureau would have to treat Hanfstaengel like any other potentially dangerous prisoner and take every precaution against Hanfstaengel's committing any acts which might interfere with the war program.

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

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Re: PUTZI HANFSTAEGEL

SPECIAL

No. 1317

24th March, 1942.

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HANFSTAEGEL, formerly connected with the head of the foreign press of the Nazi Party, has been described as "HITLER's closest friend." He was denounced as one of the instigators of the Reichstag fire and about a year or two before the outbreak of war he arrived in England. He was alleged to have "quarrelled" with various members of the Nazi Party and there is some confirmation of this. (u)

Nothing was recorded against HANFSTAEGEL during his stay in the United Kingdom but in February, 1938, WENNINGER, of the German Foreign Office wrote to him to inform him that "some matter" had been prepared for HITLER's decision.

HANFSTAEGEL was interned in Great Britain shortly before the outbreak of war. (u)

[redacted] do not consider that HANFSTAEGEL should be allowed to enter the United States. In their opinion, HANFSTAEGEL, whatever his personal attitude toward the Nazi regime may be, is a German first and last and in their estimation is not to be trusted. (u)

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Dear Sir:

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While you were in New York City, you spoke to [redacted] concerning PUTZI HANFSTAEGEL, and asked that he send a memorandum containing information in his files on this person. (S)

[redacted] There is attached hereto memorandum from dated March 24, 1942 with reference to this matter. (S)

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Putzi Hanfstaengel

Mr. John Carter called advising that he is leaving tonight for Kingston, Ontario, Canada, to have another talk with "that guy", apparently referring to Putzi Hanfstaengel who is interned in Ottawa. He stated that the Canadian Legation has been informed and the Canadian authorities have been informed and have cleared everything but that he wanted to let us know about the trip so that no wires would be crossed. He stated that he would probably want some advice from us upon his return and I told him that I would be glad to see him. *KH*

Respectfully,

EAT
Edward A. Tamm

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PUTZI HANFSTAENGL, INTERNAL SECURITY G. (S)

YOU WILL RECALL TALKING TO [REDACTED] CONCERNING HANFSTANGL

[REDACTED] NOW ADVISES CARTER AND WIFE HAVE TALKED WITH HANFSTANGL AND JUST (S)

AS YOU PREDICTED ARE ENDEAVORING HAVE HIM RELEASED. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

HE IS BEING APPROACHED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS WITH PRESSURE TO RELEASE

HANFSTANGL. [REDACTED] INQUIRES IF BUREAU STILL SAME OPINION AS EXPRESSED

CONFIDENTIALLY NAMELY TO EFFECT IT WOULD BE BETTER NOT TO RELEASE HIM.

I TOLD HIM I HAD HEARD NO DIFFERENT OPINION VOICED.

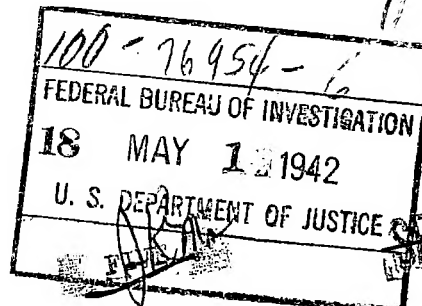
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From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Information in the possession of this Bureau indicates that Egon L. Sedgwick Hanfstaengl, who was born in New York on February 3, 1921, is now serving in the United States Air Corps.

I thought you would be interested in being advised, in the event this has not previously been brought to your attention, that this individual is the son of Ernst (Putzi) Hanfstaengl, who at one time was closely associated with Adolf Hitler, and frequently visited Hitler in Munich.

Information furnished the Bureau by a confidential source was to the effect that Hanfstaengl decided to leave Germany because he thought his life was in danger, subsequently arriving in England. At the present time he is interned by the Canadian authorities in Canada.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

MR. TAMM

MR. LADD

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At this time Mr. John Carter telephoned to advise that he had seen the President this afternoon and they had discussed all of the matters which we had discussed previously.

Putty Handwritten
First, the President had issued orders to stop Patterson and O'Donnell at San Francisco. Secondly, the President thoroughly approves of the plan for Mr. Carter to go up and see Banfstaengl if I could make the arrangements with the Canadian officials. I told Mr. Carter I was presently checking on that. In addition, Mr. Carter stated that the President had given him a message to deliver to Banfstaengl. Thirdly, the President approves of the arrangement of the Trinidad business, but he, Mr. Carter forgot to mention the State Department angle, but said he would call Miss Tulley back and ask her to speak to the President about it.

Mr. Carter stated that he would like to bring Mr. Field down to see me if I were going to be in town. I told Mr. Carter that I would be in town the rest of the week and would be glad to see him. Mr. Carter said that he would probably bring Mr. Field down to see me some time tomorrow.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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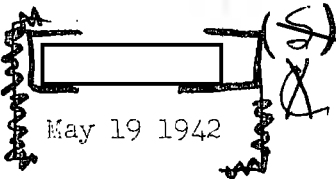
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~~SECRET~~Dr. Ernst Franz Sedgwick HANFSTAENGL

HANFSTAENGL was born in Munich in 1887. He was educated in Munich and then went to Harvard University. His mother was a Miss Sedgwick of Boston before her marriage. His son Egon was for a time at St. Paul's school, London, and is now in the United States. Egon was a member of the Hitler-Youth in Germany but we have no reason to believe that he is pro-Nazi in his sympathies at the present time. (u)

HANFSTAENGL remained in the U.S.A. until 1921 when he returned to Germany. Certain allegations have been made regarding HANFSTAENGL's activities in the U.S.A. during the last war, but the U.S.A. authorities will of course be better informed regarding this part of his career than are the British authorities. In 1922 HANFSTAENGL met Hitler and his interest in the Nazi Party dates from that time. After the unsuccessful Putsch of 1923, HANFSTAENGL sheltered Hitler in his house. Thereafter he became a personal friend of Hitler's and in 1931 he accepted a position in the Nazi Party which can be described as that of Liaison Officer between the Party and the Foreign Press. He appears to have occupied this position until February 1937. While acting as Liaison Officer with the foreign press, HANFSTAENGL paid frequent visits to this country. (u)

According to HANFSTAENGL's own account, he had from the beginning of the Nazi Regime been on extremely bad terms with the Propaganda Minister, Dr. Goebbels. Goebbels regarded the foreign press as his province and resented the fact that HANFSTAENGL was not under his control but was responsible only to Hitler himself. HANFSTAENGL was also on bad terms with Rosenberg, the head of the Foreign Political Department of the Nazi Party. Hitler himself appears to have been influenced against HANFSTAENGL by Goebbels and Rosenberg and this estrangement was increased by an incident in connection with a certain Luedecke. This man had been in favour with Hitler at the beginning of the Nazi Regime. HANFSTAENGL's allegations were that Luedecke was not to be trusted, but the Fuehrer had maintained, in spite of all evidence to the contrary, that HANFSTAENGL's allegations were unjustified. Luedecke subsequently left Germany and published the sensational anti-Nazi book, "I knew Hitler". According to HANFSTAENGL, Hitler was embittered against him when events proved that the Fuehrer had misjudged Luedecke. (u)

These difficulties between HANFSTAENGL and other leaders of the Nazi Party led in 1937 to HANFSTAENGL'S flight from Germany. On his fiftieth birthday he was ordered to proceed to Spain on behalf of the German Government but he became suspicious when he was furnished with a

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German passport in a name other than his own and shortly after the aeroplane in which he was travelling took off, he was informed that it was the intention of the German authorities that he should be landed from the air in Spanish Government Territory. Before the German frontier was crossed, however, the aeroplane was forced to land on account of engine trouble and he was able to make his escape to Switzerland and later came to this country. Relative to this episode, there is in existence a letter dated 19th March, 1937, purporting to come from General Goering, asking HANFSTAENGL's to regard the matter as a "harmless joke" and to return to Germany with Colonel Bodenschatz without fearing any reprisals, as his services were urgently needed there. It will be seen from the above that HANFSTAENGL's departure from Germany was due, not to any fundamental disagreement with Nazi policy, but was the result of personal differences between himself and certain Nazi Party Leaders. During HANFSTAENGL's stay in this country, from 1937 until the outbreak of war, his activities were closely investigated by the British authorities and this investigation showed beyond all doubt that:

- 1) He was until August 1939, making every effort to achieve a reconciliation between himself and Hitler which would pave the way for his return to Germany.
- 2) He remained Nazi in his sympathies and was willing to assist persons who were carrying on propaganda for Nazi Germany.

As regard 1) there are in existence a number of letters which HANFSTAENGL received from the German Embassy in London and from various individuals in Germany. Thus on the 23rd of February, 1938 the German Air Attache in London, WIENINGER, wrote that HANFSTAENGL's case was being put before the Fuehrer. At the same time friends in Germany, in particular Professor THURAK, Hitler's sculptor, were also intervening in HANFSTAENGL's favour. The last of these letters which was seen by us is one dated 15th August, 1939. This letter is from Martin BOORLMANN, Reichsleiter (now Hess's successor) who wrote to HANFSTAENGL acknowledging receipt of his telegram and giving assurances that HANFSTAENGL could return to Germany without fear; that he would be given a suitable position and his financial obligations in London would be met. It would appear, however, that money had in fact already been paid to HANFSTAENGL's account through the German Embassy. This can be deduced from a statement taken from a document, of which there is a photostat, relating to a libel action against an American newspaper which had accused HANFSTAENGL of having been Hitler's "Boy-friend". The passage, which is of great significance runs as follows:

"....As my action is coming into Court I take it that the

Fuehrer would wish it to be fought in the best possible manner, particularly in view of the daily growing feeling of a tagonism to Nazi-ism in England, and I accordingly ask that out of the moneys remitted to the London Embassy for my account, the sum of 800 pounds should be released to me for this purpose."

This passage clearly shows that HANFSTAENGL at the end of 1938 was anxious to show his loyalty to the Fuehrer. War broke out before the negotiations between Hitler and HANSTAENGL reached a stage at which HANFSTAENGL

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would have been enabled to return to Germany. The correspondence on this question leaves one with the impression that a reconciliation would have been effected if HANFSTAENGL had been a little more modest in his demands. He demanded in fact, not only restoration to him of all his property, the payment of all his debts in London and his re-instatement in the Nazi Hierarchy, but also a "full apology" from Hitler and from the other Nazi leaders who had played a part in the incident which Goering had described as a "harmless joke". There are indications in some of the letters that his demands were couched in too arrogant a tone. The negotiations thus came to nothing. X(u)

As regards 2) - that he was willing to assist persons who were carrying a propaganda for Nazi Germany:- There are two letters which show most clearly that he was willing to give assistance to Nazi propagandists in this country. One is a letter dated 21.10.38 from a woman who states that she is writing an article to "stop the campaign of hate against Hitler". In this letter she refers to material HANFSTAENGL has already given her. Another letter of introduction from the notorious Unity Mitford who, he says, "May have told you I am writing a book about the European situation... It is difficult for an Englishman to convey the sense of struggle and passion and poetry that accompanied the resurrection of Germany - and you could help me as perhaps no one else could." It is clear from this letter that Unity Mitford who had been in touch with HANFSTAENGL, was confident that the latter would willingly provide material for a book in praise of Nazism. X(u)

X On the outbreak of war, HANFSTAENGL was detained and was interrogated [redacted]. At this interrogation, he not only evaded awkward questions, but also told deliberate untruths. Thus he asserted that he had never been in touch with the German Embassy since his arrival in London. He admitted that he had not severed his son's connection with the Hitler Jugend. He was also unable to explain why he had not published his memoirs inspite of the many offers he had had from publishers. HANFSTAENGL's failure to publish his revelations is of some significance since it constitutes still further evidence that he was unwilling to make a complete break with the Nazis. After his internment he requested that certain documents should be sent to him which he needed for writing these memoirs. We were also asked whether there would be any objection to his publishing any books or articles while in internment. Permission was given for the publication of anything he might care to write on condition that anything destined for publication should first be submitted to the authorities. No such book or article has as yet been received by censorship. X(u)

When HANFSTAENGL appeared before the Home Office Advisory Committee in October 1939, he was given every facility to state his case. The Committee unanimously decided that he should remain in internment. HANFSTAENGL admitted at the hearing that he had done everything possible to get himself re-instated in the Nazi hierarchy. He admitted that if he had received an apology from Hitler in August 1939, instead of sitting in the chair before the Committee giving evidence, he would have been sitting in the German Chancellery. He also failed, as at his interrogation, to give any satisfactory explanation of his failure to publish his revelations. When asked by the Committee whether he would be willing to assist Great Britain in the war against Germany, his X(u)

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answers were evasive. Thus, when the Chairman of the Committee asked: "If you could assist, you would assist?" The answer was: "As far as - You understand me - I personally do not - I can say this - I cannot hope that Germany wins this war". When he was further asked whether he meant by this that he wished to see Germany lose, he gave no direct answer but said that he hoped that the "system" would come to an end. ~~SECRET~~ (u)

A further fact which came to light in this hearing was that he had a brother, sister and mother in Germany and that as far as he knew they had not been persecuted in any way by the German authorities. (u)

As regards the personal impression which HANFSTAENGL made on the Committee, the Committee commented: "He did not appear to be a man of high intellectual attainments, but gave the impression of being vain, conceited and rather irresponsible." (u)

One of the persons whose name had been given to the Advisory Committee as a reference later made a voluntary statement that he knew that HANFSTAENGL had been doing everything in his power to spread Nazi propaganda in this country. ~~SECRET~~ (u)

X It will be seen from the above that HAFSTAENGL is a man who was for many years a close associate of Hitler and a leading member of the Nazi Party. His departure from Germany was due to a private feud and not to any change in his political convictions. He was, until the outbreak of war, willing to assist the Hitler Government in anyway he could and was making every endeavour to win Hitler's favour once more and to get himself re-instated in the Nazi Party. He is an adventurer, untrustworthy and a liar. It would not seem advisable that he should be at liberty in time of war. (u)

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Mr. Fletcher Warren of the State Department telephonically advised that there is no record of a pending visa case on Putzi Hanfstaengl, the individual interned in Canada whom J. Franklin Carter is endeavoring to bring into this country. Mr. Wales who is in charge of the Canadian desk in the State Department is presently out of the city and Mr. Warren has not been able to ascertain whether Hanfstaengl has been called to his attention.

Mr. Warren advised that Putzi Hanfstaengl is writing his memoirs during this period of internment and that several of the larger American magazines are competing for publication rights. I told Mr. Warren this fact suggests that, in view of J. Franklin Carter's position as a literary luminary, he may desire to bring Hanfstaengl into this country in order that he can publish the memoirs for his own personal profit.

I asked Mr. Warren to follow this matter very closely inasmuch as the Bureau is anxious to know very clearly and concisely just what the position of the State Department is.

Mr. Warren will place a stop with the Visa Division in order that he will be notified when Hanfstaengl's visa application comes through and at that time he will advise the Bureau of the State Department's feelings in the matter.

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I told Mr. Warren that there was a passport case against Hanfstaengl in about the summer of 1932 at which time he came into this country on a temporary visa to deliver a series of lectures at Harvard University or some such place and that an indictment, complaint or other legal process was issued for some irregularity but that he had returned to Europe prior to the issuance of the legal process.

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Putzi Hanfstaengl

I talked to General Strong outlining to him the circumstances surrounding the entry of Putzi Hanfstaengl into the United States, the call upon the Bureau of Mr. J. Franklin Carter and your conversation with Sumner Welles. General Strong was advised of the President's interest in keeping this matter quiet and at the same time being assured that someone was with Hanfstaengl at all times. After considerable discussion of the entire project, General Strong agreed that he would assign representatives of Military Intelligence to be with Hanfstaengl at all times. He stated that he would take care of this matter at once.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Putzi Hanfstaengl

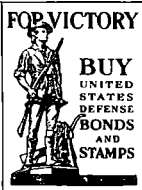
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Putzi Hanfstaengl
Father Odo informed me that while he was in New York, a parishioner under confessional seal, informed Father Odo that he had talked with Putzi Hanfstaengl in Canada and definitely learned that Hanfstaengl is vitally interested in the Nazis winning. Hanfstaengl informed Father Odo's informant that his only hope was for Hitler to win. The informant wanted this information furnished American authorities but was unwilling for his own name to be disclosed inasmuch as he has close relatives in Germany.

Respectfully,

L. R. Pennington
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In accordance with instructions from Mr. Tamm, Supervisor Harry M. Kimball interviewed Mr. J. Franklin Carter who called at the Bureau to advise that the Board of Psychological Warfare, a joint committee of the State, War and Navy Departments, has recently effected the release from internment in Canada of an individual who is to be known in this country as Ernest Sedgwick, who was formerly a high ranking and influential member of the Nazi regime. It should be stated at this point that, although Mr. Carter would not say so, this individual is undoubtedly Putzi Hanfsmagel, former Nazi party official, who has been interned in Canada. He advised that while in the United States this individual will be used on varied assignments such as analyzing propaganda, preparing biographies of Nazi leaders and "such other assignments as the Board of Psychological Warfare may think up for him".

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Mr. Carter stated that Sedgwick is presently at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he will reside during the tenure of his stay in this country, which it is believed will be for about three months. He stated that it is desired that a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation be continuously assigned to Sedgwick while he is in this country.

Mr. Carter advised that the purpose of this assignment would be first "to keep an eye on Sedgwick to see that he does not escape"; second, "to satisfy the British we are taking reasonable precautions to see that he does not escape"; and third, "to obtain such information of an intelligence nature as may be of interest to us in connection with the assignments which are given to him by the Board of Psychological Warfare". Mr. Carter stated that Sedgwick will be under the sole control of himself and Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles. He pointed out that he did not believe that the "guarding problem" of Sedgwick would be much of a task in view of the fact this individual has a son in the United States Army Air Corps. This son is presently visiting with Sedgwick at Fort Belvoir, while on furlough. In this regard, you will recall that Putzi Hanfsmagel has a son who is also in the United States Army Air Corps.

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Mr. Carter stated that the operations of this individual are to be extremely confidential and that he would prefer, if a Special Agent is assigned, that he be capable of speaking the German language and one of some education and cultural background. He stated that the operating expenses of the Special Agent assigned, other than the payment of his salary, would be reimbursed from funds of the Board of Psychological Warfare. He stated that in the event you should so desire, a letter requesting the assignment of a Special Agent in this matter can be obtained by him from Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, but he added that he did not "want to ask Mr. Welles for such a letter unless it is absolutely necessary".

No commitment whatsoever was made to Mr. Carter in connection with his request. It was pointed out to him that the present national emergency has considerably taxed the investigative personnel of the Bureau and it is not known whether there would be personnel readily available for such an assignment. He was advised that his request in this regard would be brought to your attention. *U*

Respectfully,


D. M. Ladd

I recommend no.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: PUTZI HANFSNAGEL

Reference is made to my memorandum earlier today concerning an interview had by Supervisor Harry M. Kimball with Mr. J. Franklin Carter. You will recall Mr. Carter wanted a Special Agent assigned to Hanfsnagel while he is allegedly working on an assignment in this country for the Board of Psychological Warfare.

Mr. Carter telephonically called your office at this time and was referred to Mr. Kimball. He stated he was trying to get either you or Mr. Tamm personally, to get a decision as to whether the Bureau would assign an Agent in this matter. He remarked that General Marshall is "raising hell that no FBI man is on the job with Hanfsnagel", and wanted to get a decision from the Bureau at the earliest possible moment as to whether an Agent would be assigned. He advised he is "in a hell of a hole" and needs some help from the FBI. Mr. Kimball advised him he was certain his request would be brought to the attention of the Director at the earliest possible moment, but he held out little hope for the assignment of an Agent to such a project.

The above conversation was called to the attention of Mr. Tamm, and in accordance with his instructions Mr. Kimball called Mr. Carter back and advised him the Bureau could not furnish a Special Agent for such an assignment in view of the fact it is not an investigative matter, and further that in view of the present national emergency the Bureau personnel is taxed to capacity and we could not have a man available to handle such a job.

Mr. Carter's only remark was, "Well, that clears the air. Thank you very much". Mr. Tamm was immediately advised of the remark of Mr. Carter in this regard.

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Absolutely no. I have talked to
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

I called Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles to advise him that the Attorney General had spoken to me about his, Secretary Welles', call concerning Putzi Hanfkenagel. I explained to Secretary Welles that John F. Carter had been here at the Bureau yesterday in regard to this case and the reason we were hesitant in proceeding on it was because it was guard duty on a military reservation and we did not have jurisdiction over a case of this nature; therefore, if the subject tried to do anything or make any move, we could do nothing. Secretary Welles stated that the only thing he was interested in was seeing that the man did not get away and apparently the Army is not willing to do any more than have him reside at Fort Belvoir. I suggested to Secretary Welles that I thought it was a matter that we might work out with General Strong and see if action cannot be taken to keep the subject in custody. Secretary Welles stated that I could handle the matter as I saw fit, but that the President had asked that Hanfkenagel's presence in this country be kept as quiet as possible. I told Secretary Welles that I would work out something with General Strong, and that he, Secretary Welles, would not be bothered with this matter again.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Re: PUTZI HANFSTENGEL

I note from the press that Putzi Hanfstengel, a German alien, is now in the United States apparently cooperating with agencies of this Government. I shall appreciate it if you will advise me of his whereabouts and of any facts in your records reflecting on the question whether he may become an alien enemy security problem.

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Edward J. Ennis
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARD J. ENNIS,
DIRECTOR, ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL UNIT

RE: DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI")
HANFSTAENGL

Reference is made to your memorandum to this Bureau dated January 29, 1943, captioned "Putzi Hanfstengl," requesting to be advised of the whereabouts of the above individual and any information in the files of this Bureau reflecting that he may become an alien enemy security problem.

The files of this Bureau contain no information indicating that Hanfstengl at the present time constitutes a security problem.

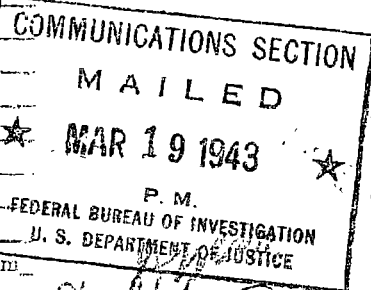
For your confidential information it is known that at one time Hanfstengl was in the custody of the military authorities.

Very truly yours,

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DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI") HANFSTAENGL

Information has been received by this Bureau from a confidential informant that he interviewed Hanfstaengl in England in 1939, and delivered to Hanfstaengl a message from his sister in Germany to the effect that he, Hanfstaengl, should not return to Germany unless she personally came to London for him. ~~LIVE~~

According to this informant, at the time he talked with Hanfstaengl, he noticed that an individual watched them at all times. Hanfstaengl stated that he was not afraid of being subjected to violence by German interests, since he had written a complete manuscript concerning Hitler and the National Socialist German Workers Party, which manuscript was in a safe deposit vault in the Bank of England. Hanfstaengl allegedly stated also that he had thought of using this manuscript in order to pay a \$5,000 indebtedness.

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Mr. A. M. Thurston
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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

RE: DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI")
HANFSTAENGL

Dear Sir:

As you will recall the above individual was formerly the Foreign Press Chief of the N.S.D.A.P., (National Socialist German Workers Party or Nazi Party), one of the early leaders of the Nazi movement and a confidant of Adolf Hitler, who fled from Germany some time ago and at the outbreak of the war was interned in England and sent to Canada.

For your information in connection with Hanfstaengl, there are enclosed two copies of a memorandum incorporating information received from Mr. Russell Sard, a retired New York City broker, who, during World War I was an Executive Officer of Naval Intelligence.

In view of the allegations made by Sard, it is suggested that you may desire to transmit a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the appropriate British authorities. In furnishing this information the informant's identity, of course, should not be revealed.

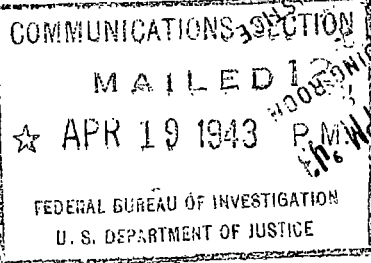
It is desired that any information which you can secure concerning this matter and particularly regarding the manuscript allegedly placed by Hanfstaengl in a vault in the Bank of England be made available to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
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Russell Sard called and stated he had seen the news items pertaining to Ernest Hanfstaengl, which recalled to his mind an incident which he thought we might be interested in.

In 1939, Mr. Sard went abroad. He knew the mother of Hanfstaengl, who asked him to see her daughter in Munich. The mother, he stated, was a very wonderful woman about 30 years old, who later went to Germany and he is very fearful as to what might have happened to her. He called on the daughter, who is the sister of Putzi Hanfstaengl, in Munich. She talked very freely to him and appeared to be very bitter against Hitler. Sard stated he understood that Hitler at one time was engaged to her. At the time Mr. Sard called on her in Munich, Unity Mitford was living with her. Sard stated that the Hanfstaengl girl was very attractive, very pleasant, but obviously was uneasy about her brother.

She told Sard about the manner in which Putzi got out of Germany. He was put in a plane by the Nazis, thinking that he was going to Spain as an envoy. After getting in the plane, he discovered he was going to be dropped over the Red troops, which of course would mean certain death. However, there was some engine trouble and the plane landed in Switzerland, from which Putzi made a get-away and eventually got to London.

His sister told Sard to tell Putzi that he was not to return to Germany unless she personally came to London for him. She further told Sard that even if she wrote for Putzi to return for him not to do so as Hitler might ask her to do so and she might not be in a position to do anything else.

Sard called on Putzi Hanfstaengl in England, at which time he was living at Hampstead in a little block house. He delivered the message from his sister to Putzi. Putzi asked Sard to help his son to get back to America.



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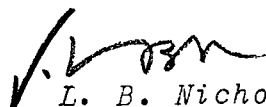
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At the time Sard called on Putzi, he noticed that an individual was watching them at all times from a window while they were sitting in his back yard. Putzi stated he was not afraid of being shot by the Nazis, since he had written his complete story on Hitler and the Nazis; that the manuscript was in a safe deposit vault in the Bank of England; that as a matter of fact he had thought of using it at that time in order to pay back a \$5,000 loan.

Shortly after the outbreak of war, Putzi was, of course, interned. Mr. Sard thought that possibly it might be well to locate the script in the Bank of England. He further thought that if we were interested in Putzi that he might be of some assistance.

I thanked Mr. Sard and told him if a situation should ever arise, we would not hesitate to call upon him.

Respectfully,


L. B. Nichols

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United States Department of Justice**

Newark, New Jersey

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January 30, 1943

Director, FBI

RE: ERNST (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL
INTERNAL SECURITY - G
ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a clipping from the New York Daily News for January 28, 1943, which contains a statement that HANFSTAENGL reportedly has been employed for several months by the United States State Department. It is believed the Bureau files will contain considerable information concerning the background of this person.

As a matter of interest to the Bureau, I am also transmitting a publication entitled "HITLER WIE IHN KEINER KENNT". Portrayed on page 35 of this publication is an individual who from all appearances is identical with HANFSTAENGL. This similarity was called to my attention by Special Agent W. C. GENTRY who, after reading the New York Daily News, happened to examine this publication and immediately noted the similarity. This book may be retained by the Bureau in its files for any purpose that may be desired.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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Report Hitler's Putzi State Dept. Employee

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27 (U.P.).—Ernst (Putzi) Hanfstaengl, former Nazi press chief and one-time intimate of Adolf Hitler, has been employed for several months at the State Department here, according to reliable reports today.

There was no official confirmation and the State Department declined immediate comment. Other government officials, however, said in reply to questions that they could not deny his presence in this country or that he is working for the State Department.

It was not known in what capacity he is employed, but it was assumed that, as one of Hitler's former closest confidants, he probably works in an advisory capacity.

Mother Backed Hitler.

Hanfstaengl, 56, a graduate of Harvard, was interned at the beginning of the war in England. He had resided there since leaving Germany under somewhat mysterious circumstances some five years ago. He was transferred later to an internment camp in Canada.

In the early years of Hitler's struggle for power, Hanfstaengl



Ernst Hanfstaengl

became one of the most influential members of the Fuehrer's inner circle. Hitler was a frequent visitor at the home of Hanfstaengl's mother, who had advanced considerable funds to the Nazi Party and, as a token of gratitude, made Hanfstaengl foreign press chief of the party.

Hanfstaengl held this post until 1937 when he left Germany suddenly. The Nazis permitted a story to leak out that he had been abducted. Actually, he was believed to have been ushered quietly across the Swiss frontier and told he could not return to Germany.

Avoided World War.

After a brief residence in Switzerland he went to England, where he lived until the outbreak of war.

Hanfstaengl is 56 and was graduated from Harvard in 1909. His father, a rich Munich art dealer, and his mother, daughter of Gen. John Sedgwick, a Civil War union commander, sent him to the United States where he remained during the World War, spending much time at the Harvard Club in New York and conducting an art store.

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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS
New York, New York
January 28, 1943
Submitted by Newark Field Division

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

December 29, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CUNNINGHAM

Re: SEDGWICK REPORT

There is attached a memorandum for General Strong prepared by John Franklin Carter with reference to Esser, alleged German agent in Lisbon. A copy of this memorandum was furnished to the writer by Colonel Bissell.

You will note therein that it is stated that Sedgwick says that "Esser is Nazi Party Member No. 2 ****."

For your information, the Sedgwick referred to is "Putzi" Hanfstaengl, formerly a confidant of Adolf Hitler and who is now being held at Fort Belvoir by the military police. As you know, Hanfstaengl was brought into the United States with the President's approval as a result of a brain-storm of John Franklin Carter.

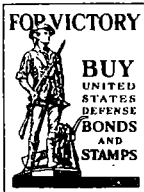
Respectfully,

G. C. Burton

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JOHN FRANKLIN CARTER
(Jay Franklin)
1210 NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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"We, the People"
"The Week in Washington"

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL STRONG: SEDGWICK REPORT.

Undersecretary of State Welles today directed me to bring the following report from Sedgwick promptly to your attention:

A recent news-story in the New York Times reports that on December 1 a German named Esser arrived at Lisbon on a mission supposedly designed to secure suitable quarters for wounded and invalid German officers on the Azores, Canary Islands, Madeira and Cape Verde Islands. The story represented Esser as having failed in Nazi penetration work in Switzerland and suggested that this was a sort of fool's errand.

Sedgwick says that Esser is Nazi Party Member No. 2 and is the great Nazi specialist in "travel bureau infiltration". He suggests that his mission in Lisbon is part of the Hitler political strategy designed to outflank our forces in North Africa by securing Spanish and Portuguese bases. He thinks that Franco will find it very hard to resist Hitler's offer to make him (Franco) the man who restores Gibraltar to Spain.

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S/ J P C.
J.P.C.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 30, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: "PUTZI" HANFSTAENGL

SAC Donegan at New York called and advised that Bugs Baer in the "Journal American" refers to the captioned individual and states that "both Scotland Yard and the FBI have put 'Putzi' through the wringer and have decided that he is on the level." I advised Mr. Donegan for his confidential information that this, of course, was not true and we have nothing to do with him here.

Respectfully,

JKM
J. K. Mumford

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O. J. COLWICK, M. D.
505 WEST MAIN ST.
DURANT, OKLAHOMA

Feb 3-1943

F.B.I.

Gentlemen - In re attached
clipping -

I know nothing about this
man but knowing Germans
and so-called German-Americans
as I do, I wouldn't trust him
further than I could throw
an elephant, & that goes for a lot of
German-Americans

Yours truly,
O. J. Colwick

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Tells on Nazis



Dr. Ernst (Putzy) Hanfstaengl, one-time bosom pal of Adolf Hitler and an organizer of the Nazi movement, now aids the allied side by giving the U. S. State Department inside information on Hitlerism.

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February 17, 1943

Dr. O. J. Colwick
505 West Main Street
Durant, Oklahoma

Dear Dr. Colwick:

I have before me for acknowledgment your letter of recent date, together with the enclosure attached thereto.

You may be assured that I have carefully noted the content of your communication and enclosure and wish to thank you for your courtesy and interest in letting me have the benefit of your observations in this regard.

Should you obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I trust you will feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Oklahoma Field Division which is located at 940 First National Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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United States Department of Justice**

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Re: ERNEST HOFSTENGLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Ernest (Putzi) Hofstengle

Dear Sir:

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Mrs. GEORGE A. FIRTH, 919 Cherokee Road, Louisville, Kentucky,
on January 30, 1943, telephonically advised this office that a
news item appearing in the evening edition of the Louisville
Times for January 29, 1943, stated that subject would soon be
released from a concentration camp in Canada.

Ernest Hofstengle
Complainant advised that she attended the Winold-Reiss Art School
in New York City several years ago at which time the subject was
then President of that school. She further stated that subject
at that time was very rabid in his denunciation of the United
States Government. She believed that the reason for this was
the fact that subject's father's property was confiscated during
World War I.

This information is being forwarded to the Bureau for any action
deemed necessary.

Very truly yours,

Herbert K. Moss
HERBERT K. MOSS
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 Boston, Massachusetts
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Putzi Hanfstaengl

Re: FRITZ HANFSTAENGEL

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Dear Sir:

[redacted] whose identity is known to the
 Bureau, advised this Office that FRITZ HANFSTAENGEL was a
 person who could not be trusted in any matters whatsoever.

Informant stated she had spent many years
 in Vienna during which time she learned that HANFSTAENGEL
 gained his prominence in the Nazi Party through his hiding
 Adolf Hitler in his home after the Munich Putsch in 1923, at
 which time sixteen of Hitler's followers were killed. She
 added that, inasmuch as HANFSTAENGEL had saved Hitler's life,
 he became a very prominent Nazi and a close friend to Hitler.

In 1936, Informant advised, she wrote a
 letter from Munich to HANFSTAENGEL in Berlin in an attempt to
 arrange an interview with Adolf Hitler with herself. She
 said that when she did not receive the appointment she called
 HANFSTAENGEL's office in Berlin and was advised that he was
 no longer there and that he could not be contacted. She con-
 tinued that it was not known definitely why he was not there
 at that time but that she ascertained immediately afterwards
 that he had fallen from the good graces of the Nazi Party.

[Informant] declared that there were two
 theories explaining HANFSTAENGEL's fall from favor, one being
 that another very high Party member had fallen in love with
 HANFSTAENGEL's wife to which HANFSTAENGEL objected and which
 eventually led to his divorce; the other being that HANFSTAENGEL
 had in some manner done something drastic to displease the
 Party.

Informant stated that inasmuch as HANF-
 STAENGEL is a former American who gave up his American citizen-
 ship, he was never at any time liked by the average German

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and was considered somewhat of a traitor; that is, the German people had no respect for any individual who would abandon his country so easily. *ku*

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[Informant] concluded that from what she had learned about HANFSTAENGL, he was not a person whom the Government should trust in any way whatever, adding that he was in Washington merely in an attempt to provide himself with easier accommodations.

Very truly yours

J. T. Madigan
JOHN T. MADIGAN
S.A.C.

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Dr. Walter James ~~X~~ Spiegel
Prof. at Bob Jones College

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Since January 1933 he had it as his function to fulfill the extraordinarily responsible task of poisoning the soul of the German people with the madness of the Nazi philosophy, the glorification of the Nazi ideals of German blood and soil, and the deification of Hitler. In company with the devilish Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels he discharged his task in a masterly fashion after the heart of his best friend Hitler. In so acting through the decisive years, since 1933 he has day by day betrayed all the ideals of humanity, personal liberty, freedom of religion, freedom of press and speech, all those great ideals of mankind so highly esteemed in this country. E. 28 194 aged Dr. Hanfstaengl who is no more youth but a mature, middle-aged man, throughout all the years, has felt his personal solidarity with the Nazis and has approved their unprecedented bestial methods of attack upon property and life in Hitler's domestic and foreign policies. He has carried on a most energetic propaganda in favor of these gangsterlike methods. In this man we are obliged to see one of those persons who are responsible for the mental confusion, the innumerable tragedies in the life of innocent people, for the awful hell of the concentration camps, and the criminal attitude and activity of the Nazis inside and outside of Germany.

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The crimes of the Nazis and Hitler's which cry to a very heaven Dr. Hanfstaengl tolerated, concealed, and even glorified. The ultimate purpose of Nazism which aims at the destruction of every form of democracy in the world, this man approved and adopted as the goal of his own activity. The Nazi philosophy was completely his own, and that Nazi philosophy is the mortal enemy of the whole democratic world view, as is generally recognized. For many years he was the faithful servant of his master.

That he finally withdrew from connection with Hitler and like so many other old party comrades and personal friends of Hitler had to flee from Germany is his own affair. This flight however can never exonerate him, can never atone for all the things for which all the leading Nazi personalities were responsible.

This man, Dr. Hanfstaengl, ought to be regarded as one who has forfeited the right to remain at liberty in a free democracy like the United States, all the ideals of which he has surrendered and betrayed, and to breathe the fresh air of this country.

As a proven enemy of democracy and of all human rights he ought to meet mistrust from the Government.

I cannot believe what is written in the news papers that the State Department is about to have any confidential relation with this man.

I Rejoicing in the possession of my first papers toward citizenship in this "sweet land of liberty" I cannot help directing your attention to the above described facts. I believe that I have the right to do it in the name of countless other people, at least in the name of hundreds of thousands of refugees who have had the misfortune to experience for years Dr. Hanfstaengl's activity in Nazi Germany, in the name of people who have found a home in the United States which they desire to see free from the pestilence of the Nazis and their propagandists.

May I assure you that this letter is written from purely patriotic motives. It is sent to you in the hope that our beloved Government may be aroused to its danger in exercising lenity or confidence in dealing with this former Nazi agitator, whose presence and activity in this country are in the light of his past record to be regarded with extreme suspicion.

I have the honor, my dear Sir, to remain

W. J. Spiegel
Yours very respectfully

W. J. Spiegel
Walter James Spiegel B.D. M.A. Ph.
Professor at Bob Jones College

A copy was sent to the President of the U.S.,
Mr. F.D. Roosevelt.

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March 5, 1943

Dr. Walter James Spiegel
Bob Jones College
Box 166
Cleveland, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Spiegel:

I have for acknowledgment your letter of recent date.

You may be assured that I have carefully noted the content of your communication and wish to express my appreciation for the courtesy and interest which prompted you in bringing this information to my attention.

In the event you obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I want you to feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Knoxville Field Division, which is located at 407 Hamilton National Bank Building, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Sincerely yours,

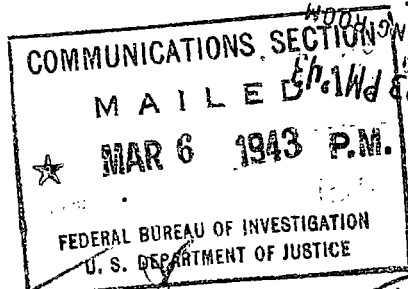
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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

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Dan Hanley of the State Department called me from his home and advised that the Watch Officer at the State Department had contacted him and reported a call from the United Press to the effect that they had a story which they were going to run to the effect that Ernst (Putzy) Hanfstaengl, a former German newsman who was interned in Canada had been released or had escaped and is now employed by the State Department. Mr. Hanley inquired whether we had any information regarding this man.

I called Mr. Hanley back at 11:00 p.m. upon instructions from Mr. Mumford and advised him that we had had a similar inquiry at 5:30 p.m. on the same date from the Associated Press, to which we had replied that we had "no comment".

Respectfully,

Handwritten: John B. Little
John B. Little

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Putzi Hanfstaengl

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While talking to ~~X~~ Father Odo, he was unable to understand why the War Department and the State Department were playing ball with the above. He stated that Hanfstaengl is an out and out Nazi, one of Hitler's closest friends and is a rake without any sense of moral responsibility of any kind.

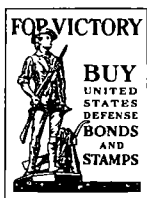
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United States Department of Justice

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

February 17, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: ERNST SEDGWICK (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL

Dear Sir:

For the information of the Bureau there are being transmitted herewith translations of excerpts taken from the book, "Hitler in the Caricature of the World", which was published by HANFSTAENGL in 1933.

This information was furnished by Dr. R. M. W. ~~WEMPNER~~ of this office, who also translated the articles described herein.

Very truly yours,

J. F. SEARS
Special Agent in Charge

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TRANSLATION FROM THE GERMAN

"Hitler in the Caricature of the World"/Deed versus Ink

a Picture Collection by Ernst Hanfstaengl

Brown Books, Berlin, Carl Rentsch Publishers

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"Pamphlets are to be hung lower!"

Friedrich II

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"It has been a particular pleasure for me, in agreement with my Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, to comply with the request by the publisher to write a book that concerns itself with caricatures around and about Hitler.

For few have been as fortunate as I have been to witness the origin and growth of the National Socialist movement from its beginnings in immediate contact with its founder and Fuehrer. Through almost all phases of the gigantic struggle of this man, in the happiness of his successes as in the bitterness of the many disappointments which were not spared him either on his way, I have been close to him. On the other hand, my work as Foreign Press Chief of the NSDAP has made me acquainted at an early date and continuously with the criticisms which abroad as well as at home have been leveled in word and picture to an increasing degree against the measures of the Fuehrer.

This book is created therefore not without a certain feeling of satisfaction because it gives me an opportunity to assemble for the first time in one place and to make available to the public a selection of the many derisive and insulting pictures with which one thought arrogantly to be able to block the path of this man of action; this makes it possible for me to demonstrate the misproportion between invention and truth.

It is a coincidence that in these very days the world public at large through the English edition of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" is given an opportunity for the first time to form for itself with the help of this autobiography of Hitler an opinion of this man whose entire will power, from his early youth on, has been devoted unselfishly to great German ideals. Even the widest foreign public is thereby put into the position of confronting the distortions which this book reproduces with the true spiritual picture of Hitler, which emerges from a life of endless efforts, full of disappointments, tensions, bitteresses, surprises and successes from year to year more and more clearly as that of an unbendable pure man of will and action.

Without fail the result will be that the foreign countries cannot help but make up their minds to clarify in an honest fashion their attitude

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towards the problems of National Socialism. For only to the degree with which the foreign countries are willing to recognize the unquestionable deep contents of this new German world philosophy the other nations may hope to find those ways which promise a rescue from the impending world disaster.

All that I would like to ask my readers therefore is: to look at these caricatures attentively and without prejudice, and to relate them to the actual events. Very soon the glaring contrast between the "ink" and the "deeds" will then be demonstrated.

For what is the miserable tin kettle music of the world press compared with the almost counterpoint like consequence of the political actions of the Fuehrer and the symphony of his successes.

Hitler has honestly ventured and honestly won as a true hero's fight his struggle with Communism and Marxism. With the nature of a true leader he has carried it through almost without any help - forced to live through the decisive turning points of his political struggle against a world of opponents with only a few proven friends.

Small wonder therefore that the trail of his memorable road from the Braunau of 1889 to the Berlin of 1933 is occupying the minds of the entire world. A Frederick the Great once ordered the pamphlet directed against him "to be hung lower." With the approval of this my book, which represents a collection of the most important ones among the caricaturistic defamations of his person, the Fuehrer follows this great example.

Berlin and Berchtesgaden, August 1933

The Editor"^o
(tr. note: Ernst Hanfstaengl)

RMWK

February 11, 1943

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From "Hitler in the Caricature of the World"/Deed versus Ink

a Picture Collection by Ernst Hanfstaengl

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. "However, contrary to all expectations and constitutional custom, Adolf Hitler, the leader of the now strongest faction, was not offered the Chancellorship but only the Vice-Chancellorship. Hitler declined. Thereupon the Papen government tried to govern without the support of Hitler. Its failures in this ended with another dissolution of the Reichstag. The following Reichstag election of November 6, 1932 brought the National Socialist Workers Party 196 seats. Again Hitler did not yet come to power; instead, the Chancellorship went to General von Schleicher.

The in the long run impossible attitude - to keep the by far greatest party from the decisive power of the State - led to the inevitable end. At the end of January 1933 General von Schleicher had to resign. Then, on January 30, 1933 Reichs-President von Hindenburg offered the Reichs-Chancellorship to Adolf Hitler. Thus the Fuehrer had arrived at his first goal.

Under an elemental explosion of popular enthusiasm the alliance was concluded thereby between the heroic past of the German nation, symbolized by the aged Fieldmarshal von Hindenburg and the activist youth of the present, symbolized by Adolf Hitler and his victorious movement; and the determination to build a better future was publicly demonstrated before the entire world by the Reichstag election of March 5, 1933.

This was roughly the road of the political actions and excellent leadership on which Adolf Hitler from 1919 to the present, as I will demonstrate on the following pages, was misrepresented in distorted pictures, derided in mock pictures and laughed at in caricatures by his enemies the longer the more.

I do not know whether these enemies will continue to do so, but I do know for certain that Hitler will continue to go his way undisturbed by derision and rebuke to the best of his knowledge and conscience"

/s/ Ernst Hanfstaengl

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Mr. Piper

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For Appropriate Action

Miss Gandy

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Note and Return

Clyde Tolson



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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April 21, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Evie Roberts called to advise that *Tim Durrant* and *Charlie Chaplin* were working on a picture at *United Artists* and were anxious to secure *Putzi Hanfstaengl* to aid in directing the picture. She had received a wire from them to contact this individual and secure his services.

I told her that according to recent newspaper items the statement had been made he was a prisoner of war and was in custody. Accordingly, I told her while we had nothing to do with this case and did not know where he was being held, it would apparently be impossible to secure his services at this time.

Respectfully,

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Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

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PUTZI HANFSTAENGL

There are attached two copies of a translation of the contents of a postal card addressed to the subject in care of the State Department, Washington, D. C.

This is being furnished as a matter of possible interest to you.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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Lilius Putzi-Witzki
 freudig lichte ich dir
 mein Glück 26. April
 (Rudolf H.'s Geburtstag)
 einige Tausend Dollar zu
 senden. Wir freuen
 zusammen nur unsere
 Freude! Für deine große
 Liebe dank. Aber ich
 kann kein Geld geben, falls
 aber nur jetzt für
 kommt ein ein paar
 kleine Botschaft, Rich. Wegner
 Schmidt, etc. etc. bringen
 mir Grüße. Keine Geld!
 Ich liebe, Rudolf und
 die, sind in England und
 will nicht nach U.S.A.
 England nur die Luft
 wissen. Formate jetzt
 mein Gedanke
 Viel Liebe

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TRANSLATION FROM THE GERMAN

Re: Post card postmarked at New York, N. Y., April 18,
1943, and addressed to Mr. Putzi Hanfstaengl, c/o State
Department, Washington D. C.

Dear Putzi Wutzi:

I am herewith requesting you to send me a few hundred dollars
by April 26th (Rudolf H.'s birthday). We celebrated together several years
ago! Thanks for your greetings! But I need money, money, money. All those
who come over from the house of Borsig, Rich, Wagner, Schmitz, etc. bring
greetings to me, but not one of them money! You two, Rudolf and you, are
secure and no longer want the U. S. A. and England wiped off the map. I
am expecting a (remittance) immediately.

"Heil," your (Goda?)

Translated by:
C. L. Crandall
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: ERNST SEDGWICK (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL
Internal Security - G

You will recall that Mr. George McNulty of the Department called Mr. Tamm, advised of his desire to determine the identity of the individual or organization having the captioned person in custody and arranging for a personal contact with such person. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. McNulty he would endeavor to determine who has custody of Hanfstaengl and advise him.

I called Mr. J. Franklin Carter, National Press Building, Metropolitan 4112, and advised him of Mr. McNulty's desire. Mr. Carter expressed immediate and complete willingness to have Mr. McNulty referred to him.

I then called Mr. McNulty, advised him I was calling for Mr. Tamm, and furnished him with the name, address and telephone number of Mr. Carter. He expressed his appreciation for the cooperation and assistance rendered him.

Respectfully,

J. K. Mumford

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Assistant Chief of Staff

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War Department

Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI") HANSTÄNGEL

For your information, there is set out below the pertinent portion of a communication received at this Bureau by reference from a confidential source. This communication concerns the above referred to individual and his son who the writer of the communication alleged is in the army.

"While working on the Macon Telegraph a few months back I ran into his son who is in the Army (staff sgt) in Macon. His son still carries (according to him) a pen given him by Goering which supposedly signed some death warrants. He knows Hitler personally if you didn't already hear and has some hairraising stories about life in Naziland. Says his pop had too take up all Hitlers bad checks."

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T. Hoover

Dear Walter Winchell:

*Eust Franz Sedgewick
(Putzi) Hausstaengel*

In reading your column recently I noticed a few references to Hausstaengel (or what the hell ever it is) and his activities in Washington and etc.

While working on the Macon Telegraph a few months back I ran into his son who is in the Army (staff sgt) in Macon. His son still carries (according to him) a pen given him by Goering which supposedly signed some death warrants. He knows Hitler personally if you didn't already hear and has some hairraising stories about life in Naziland. Says his pop had to take up all Hitlers bad checks.)

Thought you might want something on this. Theres more to it in case you want ~~xxx~~ to hear it.

Regards,

Virgil E. Pierson.
815 So. 20th. St.,
Birmingham, Ala.

Virgil E. Pierson

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AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge
Miami, Florida

RE: FRITZ VON DOPPEL, ET AL
ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL - C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype dated May 29, 1943, in the above captioned matter, in which you requested that Ernst Frans Sedgwick Hanfstaengl, also known as Putzi Hanfstaengl, be interviewed and that a brief summary of information relating to Hanfstaengl be furnished to you. Hanfstaengl is being interviewed, and the results thereof will be promptly furnished to you.

According to the Bureau file, Hanfstaengl, whose mother was a Miss Sedgwick of Boston, Massachusetts, and whose father was a German national, was born February 11, 1887 at Munich, Germany. He was educated in Munich and later attended Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Hanfstaengl remained in the United States for a number of years and finally returned to Germany in 1921. His interest in the Nazi Party dates from the time he met Hitler in 1922.

After the unsuccessful Putsch of 1923, Hanfstaengl sheltered Hitler in his home. Thereafter, he became a personal friend of Hitler and in 1931 he accepted a position in the Nazi Party, which can be described as that of Liaison Officer between the Party and the Foreign Press. Mr. E. A. Tamm acting as Liaison Officer for the Foreign Press, Hanfstaengl paid frequent visits to this country. He held this position until he fled from Germany in February of 1937. Hanfstaengl's flight from Germany is stated to have resulted from personal disagreements between himself and other Nazi Party leaders. He made his escape to Switzerland and subsequently went to England.

From a highly confidential source, it was ascertained that during Hanfstaengl's stay in England he was, until August 1939, making every effort to achieve a reconciliation between himself and Hitler which would pave the way for his return to Germany, remained Nazi in his sympathies and was willing to accept persons who were carrying on propaganda

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for Nazi Germany. However, before the reconciliation between Hitler and Hanfstaengl reached the stage to enable the latter to return to Germany, war broke out and Hanfstaengl was taken into custody by the British authorities and was later transferred to an internment camp in Canada. During subsequent interviews, he is reported to have evaded awkward questions and also to have told untruths.

In summarizing, this confidential source advised that Hanfstaengl was, for many years, a close associate of Hitler and a leading member of the Nazi Party, that his departure from Germany was due to a private feud and not to any change in his political convictions, that he was, until the outbreak of the war, willing to assist the Hitler government in any way he could, that he was making every effort to have himself reinstated in Hitler's favor and that he was "an adventurer, untrustworthy and a liar."

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2, War Department
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK HANFSTAENGL

For your information, there are attached copies of a letter and enclosure received at this Bureau concerning the above captioned individual.

Enclosure *et*

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Mr. Edgar Hoover
Chief of Bureau of Investigation
Wash. D.C.

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My dear Sir: -

Enclosed please
find an article referring
to Dr. E. F. S. Hanfstaengl
which may be of help
to you in gathering
data against this
individual

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Yours truly

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It Seems to Me by HEYWOOD BROWN

DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK HANFSTAENGL should be taken off the Europa at Quarantine tomorrow morning and sent to Ellis Island as an undesirable alien. It shivers the timbers of many principles which I hold dear to express this opinion, and for that I must apologize. But an even more abject apology should be forthcoming from the government if it fails to order this action. I hate to see people barred because of their



Heywood Brown.

political views or even their political activities in foreign lands even when they espouse things which I abominate. But on many occasions in the past visitors from abroad have been denied the hospitality of our shores for reasons which were often fantastic or trivial. Even the worn out and wholly academic theories of Emma Goldman were sufficient for years to throw Washington into a panic lest her landing should occasion turmoil. Now, there is nothing academic or fantastic in the threat to public peace occasioned by the visit of Dr. Hanfstaengl. One need not be a prophet to predict that from the moment Hitler's agent steps from the gangplank his progress through the United States will be marked by a series of bloody riots.

Not Any Private Fight.

NOR will it be just to say these will be instigated solely by the leaders of small radical minorities. I can think of only one other individual in the world calculated to rouse more different kinds of hatred and animosity in this City of New York. It would, of course, be sound counsel to suggest that the most punishing sort of greeting might be to receive Hitler's piano player with thunders of silence and mountain ranges of inattention. I do not think the young man merits the tribute of a riot. Yet I know perfectly well that there will be riots here and all along the line of Hanfstaengl's journey to the Harvard Stadium.

It seems to me a great pity that the risk of injuring many people should be accepted for no better reason than to make a colorful afternoon for a small, snobbish group at Cambridge. Dr. Conant might well have used his own good offices to prevent the situation. Somebody may interrupt to say that Harvard believes in free speech, fair play and a chance for every man to be heard. Fortunately, for the sake of this argument, Harvard is not in a very good position to take any such attitude in regard to Hanfstaengl. Some little time before America entered the war one of the finest fist fights ever staged in the Harvard Club, or New York was waged over the recumbent form of the young German.

When Harvard Saw Red.

DR. HANFSTAENGL was tactless enough to say in voice that he was glad to see Lusitania. He was bold enough to make the bar just about the cock of the hour. Just who swung the right hand in the knockout. As I remember the whole incident with the young German.



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Telegram, June 15,
1934.



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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

American Embassy

London, England

June 9, 1943

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: *DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI")*
HANFSTAENGEL

Reference is made to your letter dated April 15, 1943, with enclosure, requesting that I ascertain from the British authorities whether subject Hanfstaengel actually deposited a manuscript in a vault in the Bank of England. *(u)*

[Redacted] inquiries made at the Bank of England reveal there is no trace of any documents having been deposited in the safe by *Ernst Putzi* *HANFSTAENGEL*. *(u)*

Very truly yours,

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A. M. Thurston
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK
(PUTZT HANFSTAENGEL)
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Mr. Gibbs of Censorship called and advised that they have four letters addressed to Hanfstaengel in an internment camp in Ottawa, Canada, from people in New York State, and he knows that Hanfstaengel is not in an internment camp and desires to know his correct address.

Upon approval, I advised Mr. Gibbs that his exact address is not known but suggested he might ascertain the address through J. Milton Carter. *u*

Respectfully,

J. C. Strickland
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Submitted by Supervisor W. J. Powell

Re: Letters from Katherine Hanfstaengl
Uffing (Staffelsee)
Oberbayern
To: Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl
No 3026
Camp 31
Ottawa Canada

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. Powell.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are forwarding herewith for such attention as you
may deem necessary seven letters addressed to Dr. Ernest
Hanfstaengl, Camp 31, Base Post Office, Ottawa, Canada, origi-
nating in Germany.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Gibbs
John M. Gibbs.
Acting Chief, Postal Section.

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House 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Uffing on Staffel Sea
June 21, 1943

My beloved son,

Again a Sunday and very sunny. I spent it in the garden reading the latest book by Swen Hedin, a brave deed and as objective as is possible for a human. Otherwise there is little to report. My little Unleg is sick and her days are numbered. So I got myself a Cairn terrier as her successor. The little amusing animal makes all kinds of sport and is certainly a dog, not a sugar-coated plaything. The farmer brought in some hay and finally the vegetables are able to grow in the garden, and new portatoes are coming up!

My thoughts are much in Canada, a country which I always wanted to see. May you see something of it!

Your old faithful mother

s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

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July 4, 1943

My beloved son,

Yesterday a letter from me to you was returned on account of illegible handwriting! A shame. This week is devoted to taking photographs of the vacationing children, who at the time are lodging in the highlands with the farmers, which, for my old age, is not entirely simple. Then I had a visit from Cissy von Schuck, now Mrs. Krengen, with her four year old son who has his grandfather's ears and is a well mannered child. There is little to report, although we experience much. Everyone is busy with the harvest.

The longing for you increases with the length of your absence, you don't know how I feel. My father was also in the U.S.A. for long years. I hope you won't be there so long. I now have a little Cairn terrier which affords me much amusement, and is a good companion. I don't travel to Munich at all.

All our friends greet you sincerely.

Your old Mother

s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

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TRANSLATION

June 27, 1943

My beloved son,

Today was Frohn's funeral. The small touching procession just passed and the mourners hurry to their work again already. I am writing in your little garden. I am thinking of happier times. Yesterday Ettel was here with wife, sister, and grand-child, he took the sorrow very heavily, and I was sorry. I remain optimistic and think of Long-fellow "Each cloud has a silver lining." Eva thinks as I do, you know Udenka's gloominess.

Our life is very quiet. I am living with my many books to which many new and interesting have come, among them "America" by Count Kag(z)erling, very good.

How much I'd like to speak with you! Today we had the first cherries!

Best wishes,

Your loving mother

K...H..

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TRANSLATION

House 2¹/₂

Uffing on Staffel Sea

June 13, 1943

My beloved son,

Today is Whit Sunday. We have had uninterrupted storms since June 1, are having rain today, as if we were going to have a flood. Ettels are sitting in Putzing as hermits, Eva with her family in Ettel's house here and Erna is lying upstairs in bed with a sore throat. We are all thinking of you with longing.

My joy is a wonderful beautiful young Cairn terrier, smart and lively, affording a change in life indoors. Unley has finally reconciled herself with him and plays with him in spite of her age.

Life flies away monotonously, if we could only see you, is the sincerest wish.

Your old mother

s/ Katherine H

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TRANSLATION

House 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Uffing on the Staffel Sea
 Germany
 July 18, 1943

My beloved son,

Practical work was the reason your weekly letter was missing last Sunday. Everything here in the house is so changed that I am able to take in a woman and a seven year old child, a thing which had to be done, since the new conditions can last years until the cities offer sufficient housing. Hardly anyone complains about it. Here in Uffing, one woman, living alone in a large house must _____ a _____ mother with three children--the manager goes from house to house--all occupied, until a young farmer woman who had six children herself took in the woman and her children willingly. The feeling is indomitable, only the old critics deserve blame, but they gradually die off. It is admirable how all the organizations work well together.

A week ago today our Firmenschild was 60 years old. He remained in Munich with Udenka, Eva and husband. Erna and I sent flowers. The clients invited this small family at 4 p.m. in the conference room where the division chiefs and a few young ladies were assembled, and gave (him) an immense cake with the appropriate speeches which were returned, then they parted happily and went confidently on. I always have to think of the speech by Goethe: "Happy courage helps through what happiness succeeds in doing." Even if no speech can be made about happiness, so sacrifice and courage helps over much of the way. Last night my faithful little Unleg was called to dog heaven (on account of) a lung-infection. I miss my constant companion very much, but I have had a small "Cairn terrier" a month which promises to be a success.

With that, all to be reported is exhausted. My longing for you increases according to the length of time.

Your faithful old mother

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s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

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Uffing on Staffel Sea
May 24, 1943

My dearly beloved son,

These war years are, in spite of all personal welfare, a torture for all those separated from their loved ones who must remain without news of their welfare. This torture can't be expressed in words. From us now the same old thing is to be reported. We have no personal complaints but need much patience until the war ends. Uffing is occupied to the last bed, which decidedly disturbs the otherwise so country-fied impression, the cities are avoided at the time. Yesterday, Sunday, Fride came for tea, is well, under the circumstances. Hilde is currently living with her husband in Amsterdam. Hedda, who has become a fine wood-carver, lives there, too; has become a Dutch citizen, which I don't understand.

All our friends ask about you. If good wishes could help, it would be fine for you.

Your fond old Mother

s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

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 May 9, 1943.

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My beloved son,

Is there anything sadder for a mother than the separation which we now must suffer? And still it must be borne without complaining because it all could be much, much worse. Thanks to the presence of the great-grandchild and Eva, I have a nice conversation, for Eva developed quite satisfactorily, is a good, diligent housewife, cooks by herself, cares for her garden well, and since her old nurse Anna cares for her child, she can become perfected in the business of the firm the first two or three week days. Her husband is a good chemist for the pigment division, no longer important. Erna, whose outlook on life has, unfortunately, poor health; which obligates her to a quiet life on account of her heart. She was visiting friends in Niese, heard Fuerstlewangler as Wagner's conductor and the Verdi "Week Among Italians".

I live here quietly ^{Dr. Spengler} and thoughtfully read all my lovely books for the third time, at present Spengler's works. How intelligent he is! In so-called "pleasure" I have no joy until peace again rules the world. And then how long will it last until someone sets up a new form of living. I am happy that the whole world must build itself up from a simple life, as it was in America before 1860 (or 1800). The _____ was always too big. *du*

My little old Unleg is taking the meatless meal remarkably, she looks quite young. Fride is a cronic invalid, but helps with money wherever she can. Hedda became a Dutch citizen and supports herself as a travelling wood-carver. Lauterburg will be fifty years old in a week, which will be celebrated in Berne with a large _____ show. Mrs. Holautschick has become a good painter in Salzburg. Always inquires interestedly about you. Ernst died on account of his lungs, sad to say. Both sons are doing well and are at the front, as almost all the friends. If I only knew how you are!

I have no material complaints.

Your faithful mother

s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

Frank is in England where he is slowly recovering from a severe lung inflammation.

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MEMORANDUM FOR LABORATORY REPORT

Re: Letters Addressed to Dr. Ernest
Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31
Ottawa, Canada

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ON 5/15/96 APP # 95-1284

The evidence listed below was submitted to the Bureau
by Censorship and in turn forwarded to the Laboratory for
appropriate examination on September 22, 1943.

- Q1 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026
Camp 31 Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 10.5.43. 18".
- Q2 First sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink on
thin white tissue paper in foreign language beginning,
"Giebt es etwas.....".
- Q3 Second sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink on
tissue paper in foreign language beginning "Ich lebe hier..."
signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".
- Q4 One envelope addressed to "Herrn Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No
3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked
"Uffing 24.5.43 18", bearing the return address on the
reverse side "K. Hanfstaengl, Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern."
- Q5 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink on tissue paper in
foreign language dated "24.5.43" beginning "Diese Kriegsjahre
sind.....".
- Q6 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026
Camp 31 Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 19.7.43 11" bearing
the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl
Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern".
- Q7 First sheet of accompanying letter dated July 18 1943 handwritten
in ink on tissue paper in foreign language beginning "Practische
Arbeit war:.....".
- Q8 Second sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign
language on tissue paper beginning "Heute vor achttagen.." signed
"Katherine Hanfstaengl".
- Q9 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernst Hanfstaengl No. 3026 Camp
Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 15.6.43.11".
- Q10 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink on tissue paper dated 13.6.
43 beginning "Hante ist Pfingstsonntag..." signed "Katherine
Hanfstaengl".

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
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- Q11/ One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 28.6.43 12". X
- Q12 Accompanying handwritten letter in ink in foreign language beginning "Heute wurde...." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl". X
- Q13 One envelope addressed to "Dr Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" portmarked "Uffing 05.7.43 11" bearing the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern.". X
- Q14 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign language dated "4 July 43" beginning "Gestern wurde ein..." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl". X
- Q15 One envelope addressed to "Dr Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 21.6.43 11" bearing the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern.". X
- Q16 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign language beginning "Wieder ein sonntag" signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl". X

The handwriting appearing on the letters listed above as Q1 through Q16 was compared with material of a similar nature in the file of writings pertaining to National Security without effecting an identification. A suitable photographic copy of this handwriting will be added to the file for future comparison. (u)

The evidence listed as specimens Q2, Q3, Q5, Q7, Q8, Q10, and Q16 was examined for secret ink with negative results. The remaining specimens had been treated prior to their entry into the FBI Laboratory. (u)

The instant specimens were examined for the presence of code and cipher messages but none was found. (u)

The original letters, Q1 through Q16, were returned to the Liaison Section of Division Five on September 24, 1943 for appropriate disposition, photographic copies of which were retained in the files of the Laboratory for future reference.

Translations together with photographic copies of the original letters are attached hereto for your information.

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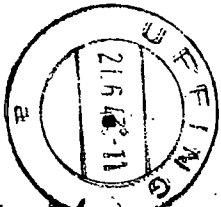
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No 3026



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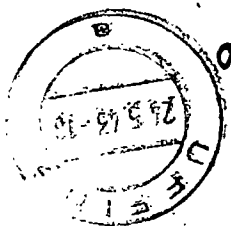
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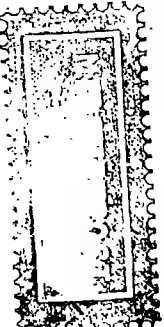
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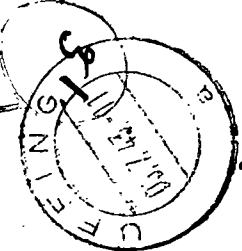
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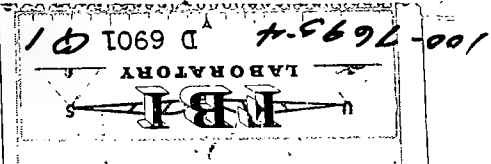
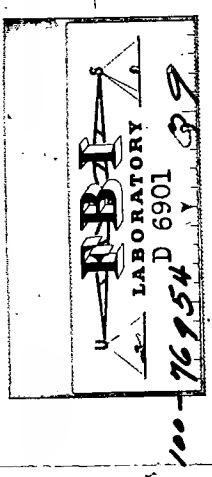


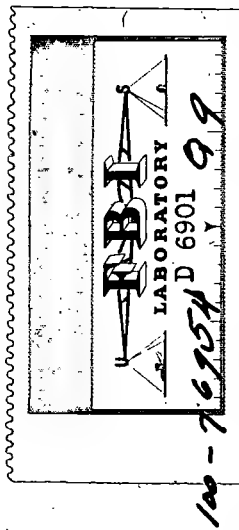
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Dear Joe Wigg

Ottawa

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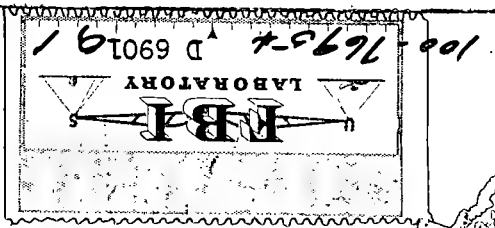
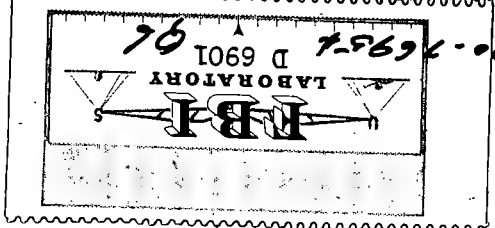
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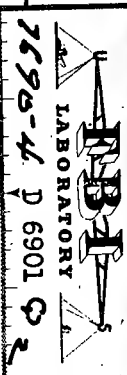
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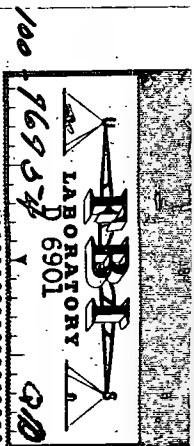
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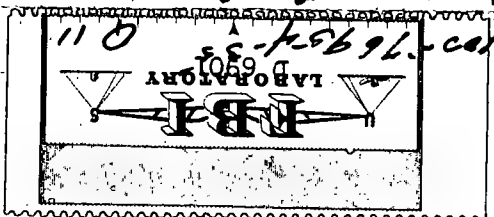
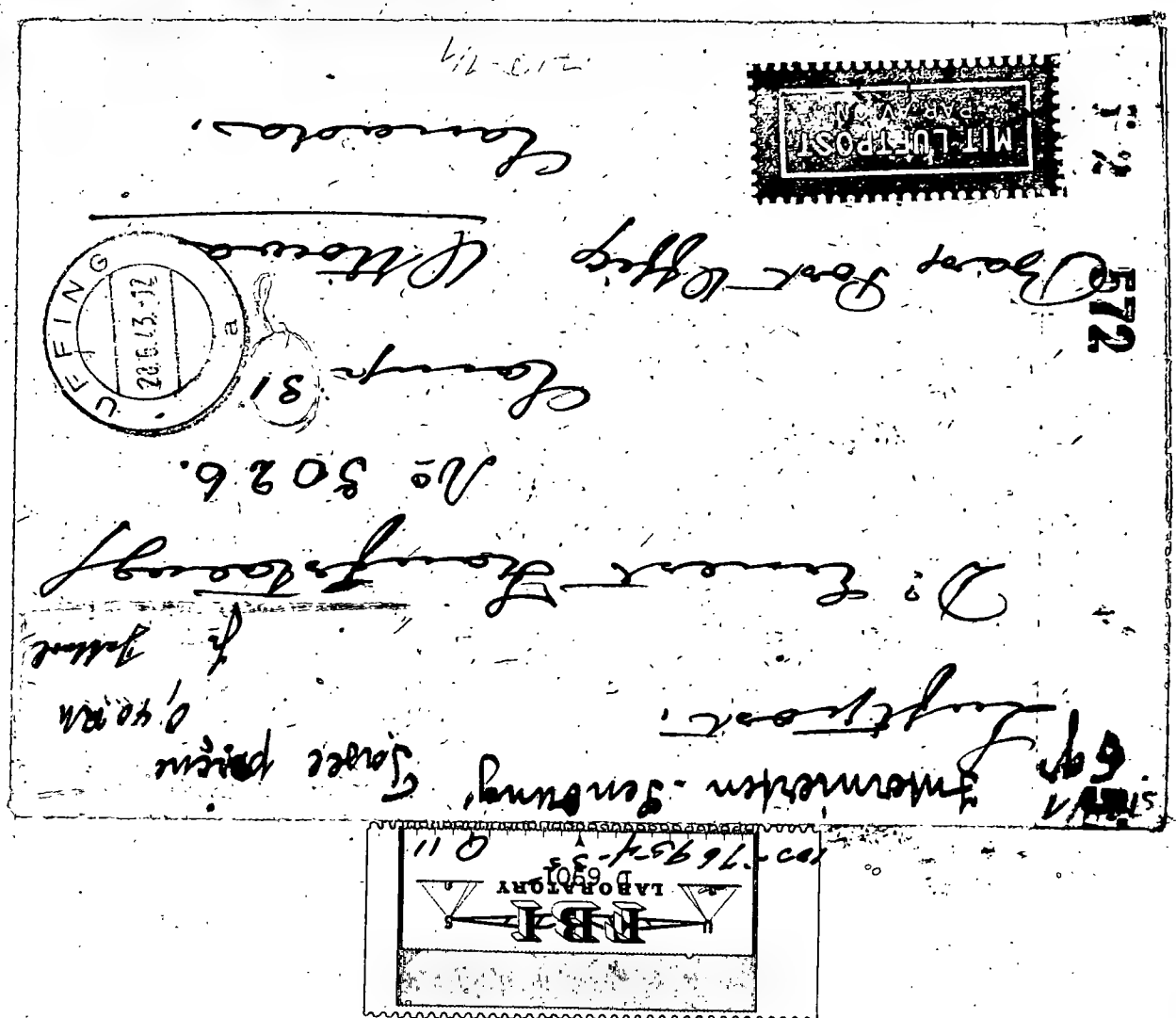
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Nein geliebter John

Thou art my darling, my
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thy life and to hear of
thy love and to hear of
thy happiness. I am so
glad to hear of thy
happiness and to hear of
thy love and to hear of
thy happiness.

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I am so glad to hear
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thy happiness. I am so
glad to hear of thy
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thy happiness.

Thine ever
loving
John



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Thank you very much
for the collection of papers, &c.
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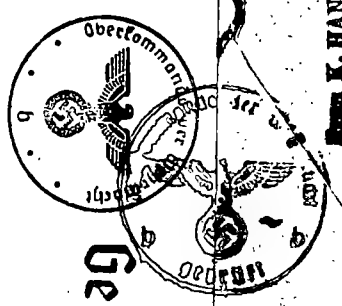
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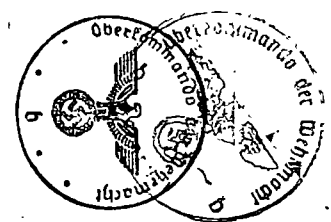
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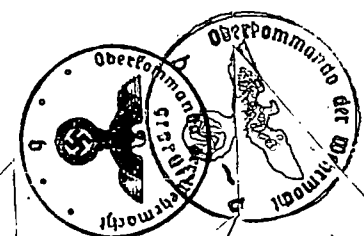
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Mr. J. H. H. Lee
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October 14, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

Handwritten: Ernst "Buts" Hanfstaengl
Harry Hopkins called me today regarding Ernst "Buts" Hanfstaengl, the individual whom J. Franklin Carter, columnist, brought down from Canada and presently has in custody.

Mr. Hopkins advised that Hanfstaengl sent a note to the White House, asking that a message be sent to his mother through the International Red Cross. The President gave the note to Mr. Hopkins, asking for his opinion.

I advised Mr. Hopkins that I thought Hanfstaengl was absolutely a "rotten egg"; that I did not approve when he was brought down from Canada, and that I thoroughly agreed with him that no message should be sent indirectly.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Washington, D. C.

November 30, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK HANFSTAENGL, alias
PUTZI HANFSTAENGL

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols ✓
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Kramer
Mr. McGuire
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Pursuant to your request, there is set out below a summary of information concerning the captioned individual.

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Ernst Franz Sedgwick Hanfstaengl, also known as Putzi Hanfstaengl, whose mother was a Miss Sedgwick of Boston, Massachusetts and whose father was a German citizen, was born February 11, 1887 at Munich, Germany. He was educated in Munich and later attended Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Subsequent to his matriculation in Harvard University, Hanfstaengl remained in the United States for a number of years, finally returning to Germany in 1921.

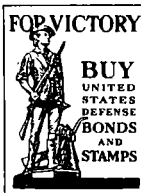
ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY

The interest of Hanfstaengl in the Nazi Party dates from the time he met Adolf Hitler during the year 1922. As a result of his acquaintance with Hitler, he sheltered Hitler in his home after the unsuccessful Putsch of 1923. Thereafter, he became a close personal friend of Hitler, and in 1931 accepted an office in the Nazi Party. The office held by Hanfstaengl can best be described as that of Liaison Officer between the National Socialist German Workers' Party and the Foreign Press. While acting in this Office, he made frequent visits to the United States.

Although he was a close associate of Hitler and has been described as a leading member of the Nazi Party, Hanfstaengl was forced to flee from Germany in February, 1937 as a result of disagreements with leaders of the Nazi Party. It is reported that his flight from Germany was due to what is described as a private feud and not to any change in his political convictions. It is said that he was, until the outbreak of the current war in Europe, willing to assist the Nazi Government in any possible way and that he was making every effort to regain Hitler's favor. Hanfstaengl has been described as "an adventurer, untrustworthy, and a liar."

INTERMENT IN ENGLAND

Upon Hanfstaengl's flight from Germany in February, 1937, he went to Switzerland and ultimately to England where he resided until August, 1939. While residing in England, he continued to attempt a reconciliation between himself and Hitler, thereby gaining readmittance to Germany. However, prior to the time any reconciliation between Hanfstaengl and Hitler was

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effected, war was declared between Germany and Great Britain, with the result that Hanfstaengl was taken into custody by the British Authorities. Subsequent to his apprehension, he was transported to Canada for internment. *2 (S)(u)*

RE-ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES

In March, 1942, the Bureau received information from Mr. J. Franklin Carter, the Columnist, that he was making efforts to have Hanfstaengl released by the British Authorities for the purpose of bringing him to the United States. Mr. Carter related that Hanfstaengl was to be brought to the United States and placed on the pay roll of the organization directed by Colonel William J. Donovan. Hanfstaengl was to make his knowledge of Nazi Germany available to the Office of Strategic Services and other branches of the Government.

Mr. Carter stated that the entrance of Hanfstaengl into the United States had been approved by the President, and that the State Department had requested the British Embassy to arrange for the release of Hanfstaengl by the British Authorities in Canada.

Mr. Carter proposed that upon his arrival in the United States, Hanfstaengl be "paroled" into the custody of the FBI for purposes of security. This proposal was not approved, and it is understood that Hanfstaengl was placed in the custody of Mr. Carter.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Approximately three months ago Hanfstaengl was reported to be residing on a farm located about fifteen miles south of Washington, D. C. on the Luray, Virginia highway, and it is believed that he is presently residing in the vicinity of Washington.

It has been ascertained through liaison with the Office of Strategic Services that Hanfstaengl is not on the pay roll of that Agency, but is considered by them as an informant. Officials of the Office of Strategic Services have advised that Hanfstaengl has been interviewed from time to time for information in his possession, the last interview having been conducted approximately November 20, 1943.

On November 27, 1943, the Newark Field Division advised that Assistant United States Attorneys Thorn Lord and Dick Hughes, District of New Jersey, advised that they desired to subpoena Hanfstaengl as a witness in the trial concerning the German-American Bund for violation of the Registration and Conspiracy Statutes, provided they could determine his present whereabouts. Mr. Lord requested that the Bureau determine Hanfstaengl's present whereabouts, in order that a subpoena may be issued. Mr. Lord was advised that information as to the whereabouts of Hanfstaengl was not available and that the Bureau could not be of assistance in his location. Upon being so advised, Mr. Lord stated that he was not surprised and suspected that the Bureau probably would prefer not to become involved in anything relating to Hanfstaengl. During the telephone conversation in which he made this statement, Mr. Lord turned to Mr. Hughes who was apparently in Mr. Lord's office and advised him that the Bureau would not assist in the location

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of Hanfstaengl, adding that "apparently the rumor to the effect that the President has Hanfstaengl under his thumb is correct."

Arrangements have been made for the Bureau to be advised in the event that Mr. Lord makes further efforts to subpoena Hanfstaengl for the trial of the case mentioned above.

Respectfully,



D. M. Ladd

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

January 7, 1944

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
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Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

On the afternoon of January 6th at about 5:30 P. M. Mr. J. Franklin Carter called at my office and stated that he had just completed a conference with the President and that the President had instructed him to take up with you at once a matter of utmost importance. Carter stated that the President had instructed him to request your "assistance" in the difficulties which were confronting him. I assured Mr. Carter that I would advise you as soon as possible of the substance of his call.

Carter stated that Ernst Putzi Hanfstangl is paroled by the British Government to the President of the United States and assigned by the President to the custody of Carter. The terms of the undertaking provide that the American Government has the responsibility for "secrecy and security". Hanfstangl is presently maintained in a very old house, built about the time that Mt. Vernon was built, on a 500-acre heavily-wooded estate 15 miles from Washington, six miles from Alexandria, near the "Franconia Road". Hanfstangl has been maintained at this point for approximately two years and Carter has spent considerable money in purchasing electric refrigeration, shortwave radios, etc. and installing them in the house. For a period of time a Military guard consisting of a couple of men, were assigned by the War Department to act as security officers in guarding Hanfstangl. Later, the War Department investigated and approved two or more ex-Army men who were ultimately found unsatisfactory by Carter because of their constant drunkenness. Carter has hired since that time several civilians, all of whom proved unsatisfactory over a period of time. At the present time Carter has an ex-Army cook assigned as a chef and handyman to the quarters where Hanfstangl is maintained but he does not have security officers, and accordingly when he discussed this situation with the President, he says the President instructed him to call upon you for appropriate assistance.

I inquired of Carter as to the type of work that Hanfstangl is doing at the present time and he stated he is constantly consulted by OWI, the State Department, OSS, and to a lesser extent by the Federal Communications Commission on matters relating to the German people, the psychology of the Germans, their reactions to various types of propaganda, etc. In addition, Hanfstangl spends three or four hours a day listening to the shortwave radio stations and advising interested Government agencies of the significance of their propaganda, etc.



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Memorandum Ladd 1-8-44

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I advised Mr. Carter that unfortunately manpower was at the present time the Bureau's most precious commodity and that I did not see how you could assign any Bureau representative to the work in which Carter was interested. I told him, however, that I knew you would give the matter very serious consideration in an effort to work out something whereby Carter might be able to meet his security problem. I told him that after you had an opportunity to give this matter further study I would be in touch with him. U

On the night of January 5th Ugo Carusi contacted me by telephone advising that a friend of the Attorney General's, who was a classmate of Hanfstangl in college, was anxious to see him and talk to him. Carusi asked that we find out where Hanfstangl was and let him know. Accordingly, after discussing this matter with you, I talked to Carusi, advised him of Hanfstangl's location, of the fact that he was in Carter's custody and of Carter's security problem. I told Carusi that the Bureau felt that this was fundamentally a problem for the Immigration Service since Hanfstangl's status in the United States was an Immigration problem. I told him, in addition, that it might be well for the Department to participate through the Immigration Service in the Hanfstangl program and suggested to him that the Attorney General give consideration to designating a representative of the Immigration and Naturalization Service as the "security officer" on this project. Carusi appeared quite favorably inclined to this proposal but stated he would discuss the matter with the Attorney General on the morning of January 7th and then advise the Bureau. U

Tamm:
Keep after this
for decision.

Respectfully,

Edw. A. Tamm

CC- Mr. Ladd



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 8, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

SECURITY DIVISION

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Mr. Alden *[initials]*
Mr. B. *[initials]*
Mr. Callahan *[initials]*
Mr. Clegg *[initials]*
Mr. Glavin *[initials]*
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Mr. Harbo *[initials]*
Mr. Hendon *[initials]*
Mr. Pennington *[initials]*
Mr. Quinn Tamm *[initials]*
Mr. Nease *[initials]*
Mr. Tamm *[initials]*
Mr. Welch *[initials]*

EAT:DS

On the morning of January 7, 1944, I contacted Mr. Ugo Carusi to determine whether there was any action which the Attorney General desired the Bureau to take in connection with J. Franklin Carter's request that the Bureau assign someone to act as a security officer over Putzi Hanfstangl. Mr. Carusi stated that he, Carusi, had talked to J. Franklin Carter about this situation and had told him the Attorney General had the matter under advisement.

Mr. Carusi stated that the Bureau should do nothing further in the absence of instructions to the contrary and if any question were raised as to the Bureau's position, the Bureau should make the statement that the Attorney General was giving the matter appropriate consideration.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Edw. A. Tamm

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

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Call: 10:55 AM

Washington, D. C.

January 8, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Henry Pringle of Mr. J. Franklin Carter's office called in his absence to inquire for the latest developments in the Ernst "Putzi" Hanfstaengl matter. I told him the matter was taken up with the Attorney General Thursday night; that the Bureau had been advised that the Attorney General's office had talked to Mr. Carter yesterday and that there was nothing further for us to do. *u*

Mr. Pringle said that the Attorney General's office had called but had been a little "indefinite," and he thought we might have additional information. He said he would call the Attorney General's office again. *md*

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Respectfully,

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Edward A. Tamm.

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January 20, 1944

John Franklin Carter, Esq.

1210 National Press Building

Washington, D. C.

Dear John:

As I told you over the telephone, we would be very glad to cooperate with you to such extent as we properly may. However, we cannot assign members of the FBI to be personal custodians of the Doctor. That is not a normal FBI function; its agents are not police guards. Moreover, their present work load is almost more than they can carry, and any attempt to meet the many requests which we have received to guard individuals would be out of the question. It would take at least two men to handle your situation adequately.

Under the circumstances, I think a more satisfactory solution would be to intern the Doctor. This I am willing to do. We could keep him at Gloucester, New Jersey, which adjoins Philadelphia, where he would be available to you at such times as you would like to consult with him.

Sincerely yours,

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Attorney General

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
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Mr. Nichols	
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 HANFSTAENGL
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Pursuant to the request of Section Chief R. H. Cunningham, there is set out below the writer's recollections concerning Hanfstaengl. Hanfstaengl, one of the early leaders of the N.S.D.A.P. and a close associate of Adolf Hitler, was Foreign Press Chief of the N.S.D.A.P. (National Socialist German Workers Party or Nazi Party).

In approximately 1938 Hanfstaengl fled from Germany and settled in London, England, where he was kept under some surveillance by the British authorities. As a result of this surveillance it was determined that Hanfstaengl periodically accepted money from the German Embassy in London and the British have repeatedly stated that Hanfstaengl was completely untrustworthy and disloyal from the Allied standpoint, still retaining pro-German and pro-National Socialist sympathies. (S)(u)

Immediately upon the outbreak of the present war Hanfstaengl was interned by the British authorities and was subsequently sent to an internment camp in Canada. Some months after U. S. entry into the war J. Franklin Carter, ex-newspaperman and apparently director of some abortive amateur intelligence group working for the White House arranged with the RCMP for Hanfstaengl to be brought to this country in his custody as "an informant".

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After Hanfstaengl was brought to this country, Carter attempted to "sell" him to the Bureau and made numerous unreasonable demands, such as the Bureau furnish a continual guard for Hanfstaengl. These requests were of course refused and shortly thereafter Hanfstaengl was taken into custody by military authorities at Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Some months ago at the specific request of a Florida alien enemy hearing board, Hanfstaengl, whose complete unreliability is well known to the Bureau, was interviewed by Agents of the Washington Field Office concerning a German alien enemy. At this time Hanfstaengl was located at a farm approximately 10 or 15 miles from Washington in Virginia, west of the Washington-Richmond highway, where

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he was apparently working for Carter's alleged intelligence organization. It is recalled also that within recent months Carter requested that the Bureau furnish him with the name of an ex-Bureau Agent who would be willing to guard Hanfstaengl at a salary of approximately \$100. a month. This request was not acceded to by the Bureau.

Respectfully,

W. K. Harvey

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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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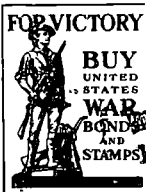
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 (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL
 INTERNAL SECURITY - G

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I had luncheon with Mr. William Hillman on March 30, 1944. He went into detail with me concerning his past contacts and knowledge of Putzi Hanfstaengl. He was acquainted with the fact that Hanfstaengl was brought to this country from Canada and was supposedly rendering some assistance to the United States Government. He was concerned that too much confidence might be placed in Hanfstaengl who he firmly believes has remained loyal to the Nazi cause.

Mr. Hillman then clarified certain information concerning the trouble which Hanfstaengl had with the high officials of the Nazi Party which led to his departure from Germany, some of which confirms information in our files. He pointed out that Hanfstaengl from 1931 to 1937 was the liaison officer for the Nazi Party, as distinguished from the Nazi Government, with the foreign press in Germany. As such he was directly responsible to Hitler and not to Goebbels, who was the Government press man. Hanfstaengl, who had hidden Hitler in his home after the Putsch in 1923, was very close to Hitler throughout this period. However, Hanfstaengl was opposed by Goebbels and Dr. Rosenberg and others who were also furthering their own interests with Hitler. Hitler had great confidence in ~~Leonard Leudecke~~ ^{Kurt Leudecke}. Hanfstaengl kept telling Hitler that Leudecke could not be trusted. As a result Hanfstaengl fell out of Hitler's good graces. Subsequently Hanfstaengl was proven right since Leudecke became the author of the very derogatory book entitled "I Knew Hitler."

At this time Hillman was the head of the Hearst Bureau at Berlin and Hearst had a private conversation with Hitler. ^{29 MAY 8 1944} the question of prosecution of the Jews was raised. Hitler told Hearst that he was not anti-Jewish or anti-Catholic but that his followers in Germany expected him to be so and that for political reasons he had to go along with them to a degree. As a result Hearst was convinced that Hitler might be persuaded to stop this line and prevent any further persecution. It was Hearst's feeling that the proposition being discussed in connection with the minority groups involved in the Saar plebiscite might be considered as a formula for Hitler in running the German



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Government. In other words, Hearst thought that Hitler might be convinced to give minorities, including the Jews, within Germany representation up to the percentage of their population to the total German population. He wired Hillman to arrange an interview with Hitler to continue this conversation, such interview to be arranged through Putzi Hanfstaengl.

Hillman without any confidence that anything would result saw Dr. Hanfstaengl with whom he was very well acquainted. He did not know at the time that Hanfstaengl was not in the best grace with Hitler. He went to Hanfstaengl's office and told him the proposition. Hanfstaengl immediately went to the Chancellery to see Hitler. This was about 10:00 o'clock in the morning. After many hours of waiting Hanfstaengl did not come back and suddenly his Secretary told Hillman that he had been taken into custody at the Chancellery. Hillman then threatened that he would take the first train for Paris from where he would get in touch with Hearst and publish the fact that as a result of the request for an interview Hanfstaengl had been taken into custody. Hitler and his party associates not wanting to thus gain the complete enmity of Hearst went ahead and arranged an interview for Hillman with Hitler. This interview was very unsatisfactory, however, since Hitler as soon as he learned of the proposition stormed that it was impossible and after practically raving went out of the room. Hillman was later contacted by Von Ribbentrop who at the time was the Foreign Secretary for the Party and subsequently with Von Ribbentrop he saw Hess, at which time apologies were made to him. Still apparently because of the threat of publicity and the enmity of Hearst which Hillman was holding over them, Hanfstaengl was released.

Shortly thereafter Hanfstaengl was contacted by General Goering who told him that all was forgiven and that a very important mission was waiting for him to go to Spain. He was told that he would have to leave immediately the next morning. Over his protests of this speed, he was convinced that due to the importance of the mission it was best for him to go ahead. He was taken to the airport where General Milch, who was later head of the Luftwaffe, and General Bodenschatz were waiting. It will be recalled that General Bodenschatz is the brother of the Bodenschatz who was convicted under the Registration Act at Louisville. A parachute was given to Hanfstaengl and he was placed in the plane. From the pilot he then learned that he was supposed to parachute out of the plane over Spanish territory, which Hanfstaengl realized meant his possible death. About that time, however, the plane developed motor trouble at Dresden, as Hillman recalled. The pilot said it would be just a short time before the motor was in shape, upon which Putzi immediately disappeared and took a train for Switzerland. From Switzerland he called General Bodenschatz who told him that this was all a joke and that he should return. The next day was his birthday and Hitler had always made a great deal over Hanfstaengl's birthday. He always sent him greetings and when he did not receive a wire or a message of greetings from Hitler he felt that he was not back in the good graces and that he should not return to Germany. As a result he made his way to England.

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Hillman shortly thereafter was stationed in England and he had several contacts with Hanfstaengl who personally told him the above story. To Hillman's personal knowledge Hanfstaengl had many contacts with the German Embassy throughout all of his period at London. He was constantly negotiating through the Embassy for his return to Germany, which to Hillman is definite indication of his continued loyalty to the Nazis and his desire to get back in the Party's good graces. At one point shortly before the war broke out in Europe, Bodenschatz made a trip to London for the sole purpose of discussing this matter with Hanfstaengl. Hanfstaengl told Hillman that as conditions for his return to Germany he demanded

1. Ministerial rank with an important position.

2. A clearance of all his debts in Germany. In this regard in opposition to Goebbels prior to his flight from Germany, Hanfstaengl had made a film which was to be used for propaganda purposes with the foreign press representatives in Berlin. He was using Party funds which through Goebbels were withdrawn leaving Hanfstaengl personally responsible. He demanded that the resulting debt be cleared.

3. An actual payment of cash and clearance of all his bills in London.

General Bodenschatz told Hanfstaengl again that the manner of his departure from Germany was merely a joke and that he was well thought of by Hitler and everyone else. He urged Hanfstaengl not to place such conditions upon his return but merely to go back to Germany where everything would be all right. Hanfstaengl, however, was playing for high stakes and insisted upon these conditions. Shortly after this the war broke out and he no longer had the opportunity to return.

At this same time many magazines were negotiating with Hanfstaengl for the publication of his memoirs which were to show what a rotten bunch the Nazis were. According to Hillman, Hanfstaengl constantly put off these writings and was using them solely as a threat and leverage to get back to Germany. He felt that his knowledge of the Party work was such that Hitler would take all possible steps to prevent him from publishing the material. Hillman finally signed Hanfstaengl to a contract to write this material for Hearst but despite the contract could not get any action out of Hanfstaengl because of his desire to use it as a threat and his reluctance to publish anything. Hillman felt this was because of his desire to get back to Germany and his loyalty to the Party.

Hillman very definitely feels that Hanfstaengl cannot be trusted. He also personally knows Hanfstaengl's son, Egon, who is presently in the Army. He states that in his opinion Egon is also loyal to the Nazi Party. He pointed out that he was very active in the Hitler Youth and he doubts

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that he has ever changed. Hillman further stated that Hanfstaengl's sister for a long period of time was a mistress to Hitler. As of possible interest he also stated that in order to save his property, which consisted principally of an art shop in Munich, Hanfstaengl's wife had filed a deposition that Hanfstaengl was crazy after his flight from Germany.

The Secretary to Hanfstaengl, who first told Hillman of Hanfstaengl being taken into custody, was from some place in New Jersey. He states that she was a school teacher in this country who had gone to Germany for a vacation and remained there for a number of years, becoming deeply loyal to the Nazi cause. Although Secretary for Hanfstaengl she was allegedly a finger-man for Goebbels. We do not have anything in our files concerning this individual who supposedly is presently in this country. According to Hillman she definitely should be looked up and checked on because of his fear that she might be engaged in dangerous activities at the present time. It was impossible for him to recall her name but he stated that upon the return of his wife from New York in the next few days, she might be able to remember it at which time he would advise us. He said if this was impossible he would urgently suggest that we attempt to get her name directly from Hanfstaengl. I shall follow this matter.

Hillman has a wide acquaintance with the Nazi Party workers and members and might be a good source of information for the Bureau. He is a substantial individual who would be willing to render any assistance possible. *XU*

Respectfully,

✓ *RA*
Robert C. Hendon

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson
FROM : Mr. Nichols

DATE: June 5, 1945

SUBJECT: DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGEWICK HANFSTAENGL, alias Putzi

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. E. A. Tamm ☒
Mr. Clegg ☐
Mr. Coffey ☐
Mr. Glavin ☐
Mr. Ladd ☐
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Miss Gandy ☐

Al Goldstein called from New York stating that Mr. Pulitzer had heard some rumor that Putzi Hanfstaengl had written a diary in German relative to the German people and their world domination intentions, and that he understood the FBI had gained control of this diary and that the British are holding Putzi prisoner on the Isle of Wight. Goldstein wondered first; - Do we have the diary, and second, - Could the diary be seen by Pulitzer?

After checking with Mr. Mumford he was told that we did not have it, at which time he countered possibly the military authorities might be able to shed some light on the existence of such a diary, and accordingly, he is going to contact OSS. He will, however, not make any reference to the FBI, and we did not indicate that OSS might know anything about Hanfstaengl as that was a gratuitous statement on the part of Goldstein.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD *DL*

FROM : R. G. Fletcher

SUBJECT: ERNST HANFSTAENGL;
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DATE: January 11, 1946

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At 11:00 A.M. this morning Mrs. A. D. ~~Osborn~~, 1006 East Capitol Street, N.W., telephonically contacted the writer in the Interview Room. She stated that she was interested in obtaining the present address of Ernst Hanfstaengl, and that she had talked to the Attorney General's office yesterday and the latter referred her to this Bureau. She stated that she had a portrait of Ernst Hanfstaengl's father, Franz Hanfstaengl, which she desired to deliver to him but had been unable to determine his present whereabouts. She stated that while she was working at the Pentagon Building in 1944, she had heard that he was working at the War Department under Colonel Sewell Morris.

ACTION:

Mrs. Osborn was asked if she had contacted Colonel Morris of the War Department for this information. She said that she had not. It was suggested that she attempt to secure the information there. It might be noted Mr. Ernst Hanfstaengl, commonly known as "Putzi" back in 1943, was paroled to the President of the United States and was placed under the care of J. Franklin Carter. There is no indication in the Bureau files as to Hanfstaengl's exact whereabouts.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : R. T. HARBO *RTH*

FROM : H. B. LONG

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